

## SOUTH AFRICAN RADIO LEAGUE

### SARL NEWS SUNDAY 21 APRIL 2002

This is Amateur Radio Station ZS6SRL of the South African Radio League, the National society for Amateur Radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin that is broadcast every Sunday at 08:15 Central African Time in Afrikaans and at 08:30 Central African Time in English.

This bulletin is also available on the website of the SARL at [www.sarl.org.za](http://www.sarl.org.za) and on packet bulletin boards.

In the news today:

NEW OFFICERS FOR THE SARL

ACTIVITIES AT THE AGM

AWARDS AT THE AGM DINNER

Stay tuned for more details on these and other news items.

You are tuned to ZS6SRL. Visit the SARL Web site or call the SARL office which is open on weekdays from 09:00 to 13:00 at 011 675 2393 for details on how to join the SARL, book sales and all related amateur radio activities.

The SARL News Service invites clubs and individuals to contribute news regarding Amateur Radio to [sarlnews@hotmail.com](mailto:sarlnews@hotmail.com) before 18:00 on Thursdays. It will be highly appreciated if it is done in both Afrikaans and English.

Now for the news in detail:

### SARL BULLETIN SUNDAY 2002:04:21

The AGM of the SARL was held at the NARC yesterday, Saturday the 20th of April. The meeting was well attended by more than 40 members and more than 200 proxys were registered. Several important decisions were taken, after extensive discussion and the meeting lasted well into the afternoon. The most intensive discussions were held on the budget of the SARL and the matter of annual fees. Members voted on three alternative budgets, the budget that was finally decided on, set substantially lowered annual fees. Among the many cost saving measures introduced, was suspension of the SARL's membership of the IARU. At the council meeting held after the AGM, Sid Tyler ZS6AYC, vice president of the SARL during the previous term, was elected as president. The new vice-president will be Dennis Green ZS4BS. Bill Norval ZS5KD remains the secretary and treasurer. Two new councillors were elected. They are Francois Botha ZS6BUU and Karl Canitz ZS1KC. There were some changes to the other council portfolios. The details will appear in Radio ZS.

INTECHNET You are reminded that Intecnet 2002, which will focus on SSTV, will be on the air tonight, Sunday 21 April at 20:00 CAT on a repeater near you. Relays can also be heard on 3215 kHz while 3718 kHz LSB will be the interactive HF frequency. The SARL Intecnet is sponsored by Telkom and Sentech.

## AWARDS PRESENTED AT THE 2002 AGM DINNER.

The following awards were presented during the annual dinner which took place last night:

Willie Wilson Gold Badge Awarded by Council to the amateur that gave exceptional and meritorious service to the League. Bill Norval ZS5KD

Jack Twine Award To recognise qualities such as unselfishness, clean operating and a genuine interest in Amateur Radio and its affairs.

This prestigious Award is be made to Amateurs who, in the opinion of their fellow amateurs and the League's Council, exemplify the qualities desirable in a Radio Amateur. Garth Laaks ZS2HB Tjerk Lammers ZS6P GC Viljoen ZR6BV

Presidents Award Hal Lund ZS6WB In recognition of outstanding achievement in amateur radio, fostering friendship, mutual understanding and assistance to the SARL.

### SARL HF Contest Awards

Silent Keys Memorial Trophy: SSB Awarded by the Contest Committee to the amateur who achieves the highest score during the annual HF Phone Contest. Hans Kappetijn ZS6KR

Certificates: Micky Esterhuysen ZS5QB 2nd place Gary Potgieter ZS5NK 3rd place

Silent Keys Memorial Trophy: CW Awarded by the Contest Committee to the amateur who achieves the highest score during the annual HF CW Contest. Hans Kappetijn ZS6KR

Certificates: Henk Stuivenberg ZS6CS 2nd place Alan Smith ZS1AAX 3rd place

Joseph White Trophy Awarded by the Contest Committee to the amateur who achieves the highest score on any one band, during the annual HF Phone Contest. Bernie van der Walt ZS4TX Bernie van der Walt ZS4TX of Bloemfontein proved that his string of past trophies is no fluke, by outgunning all comers on 40 m by a margin of no less than 32 points.

Fred Mills Trophy Awarded by the Contest Committee to the amateur who achieves the highest score during the annual HF Phone or CW Contest and who has never won an SARL HF Contest Trophy before. Hans Potgieter ZS6ALJ Need I say more - Hans' first ever participation in a SARL HF contest and he scores a fourth place!

Anon Trophy Awarded by the Contest Committee to the amateur who achieves the highest score on any one band, during the annual HF CW Contest. Bernie van der Walt ZS4TX

HOS Trough Awarded by the Contest Committee to the amateur who achieves the highest aggregate score in both annual HF Contests. Hans Kappetijn ZS6KR The Akyab Trophy Awarded by the Contest Committee to the amateur who

achieves the highest score in his/her first year of CW, during the annual HF CW Contest. Andrew Roos ZS1AN braved the multitudes only two weeks after getting his licence, winning the award for a first year CW entrant.

The Club Participation Award Awarded by the Contest Committee to the Club who achieves the highest participation in both annual HF CW and Phone Contests Pretoria Amateur Radio Club ZS6PTA The club competition this year was another walk-over for the Pretoria Amateur Radio Club. While Midlands were still in contention after the Phone contest, they did not submit a single CW log, and were pipped at the post for second place by Cape Town. Pretoria submitted seven logs on Phone and four on CW, for a total of 1454 points.

Certificates: Cape Town 2nd place Midlands 3rd place

SARL Hamnet 40 m Simulated Emergency Contest Awards

Single Operator Stationary Mobile: Dennis Green ZS4BS 1st place Al Akers ZS2U 2nd place Derek McGillewie ZS5VE 3rd place

Single Operator Portable Pieter Jaobs ZS6XT 1st place

Multi-operator Portable ZS4BHF 1st place Rudi Venter ZS6DX 2nd place ZS6RPJ 3rd place

Single Operator Base Station William Axford ZS5WI 1st place Francois Botha ZS6BUU 2nd place Wally Perfect ZS5WP 3rd place

SARL VHF/UHF Contest Awards

Field Station Magaliesberg Amateur Radio Club ZS6MRK 1st place Bloemfontein Amateur Radio Club ZS4BFN 2nd place Secunda Amateur Radio Club ZS6SRC 3rd place

Fixed Station - Multimode Sasolburg Amateur Radio Club ZS4SRK 1st place Sandton Amateur Radio Club ZS6STN 2nd place Nico Schoonwinkel ZS4NS 3rd place

Fixed Station - FM Only Pieter Jacobs ZS6XT 1st place D Karlsen ZR5DK 2nd place Kurt Linsin ZS5KL 3rd place

Final Overall Positions: Sasolburg Amateur Radio Club ZS4SRK 1st place Magaliesberg Amateur Radio Club ZS6MRK 2nd place Bloemfontein Amateur Radio Club ZS4BFN 3rd place

Field Day Contest Awards Overberg ARC ZS1OAR/P 1st place Secunda ARC ZS6SRC/P 2nd place Rudi Venter ZS6DX/P 3rd place

80 m QSO Party Awards Louis de Bruin ZS5LP 1st place Michael Roodt ZS6BHF 2nd place William van Coler ZS5WC 3rd place

Operating Awards

Arthur Hemsley 2 metre Trophy Awarded by Council to a Radio Amateur for his/her individual achievements with transmissions in the 2 metre amateur band.

This award is made for extraordinary performance on EME or modes such as tropospheric propagation. It is not for the longest distance worked but rather for persistence in achieving something special on 2 metres. PEARS For the Trans-Atlantic 2 m beacon project between PE and VK.

Bert Buckley Six metre Trophy Awarded by Council to any radio amateur for his/her individual achievements with transmissions in the six metre amateur band. This award is not for the longest distance worked but for outstanding work or activity on six metres. Hal Lund ZS6WB For promoting 6m and 2m Meteor Scatter operation.

Icom Excellence Award This award is bestowed annually by Council on the amateur who through his/her activity in the Amateur Service has brought international recognition to South Africa by either the achievement of a VHF/UHF long distance record which is internationally recognised by the IARU, or by service to the Republic of South Africa or the SARL in the field of scientific research using the amateur spectrum, or in promoting the amateur service internationally or as Council may determine from time to time. The recipient for this award is Hans Potgieter ZS6ALJ, the immediate past President of the SARL.

#### Radio ZS Awards

JJ Pienaar Trophy Awarded by the Editor of Radio ZS for the best article published in Radio ZS during the past year. Ivo Chladek ZS6AXT Die reeks artikels wat Ivo geskryf het; "VHF/UHF/Microwaves .... How To." is sover dit inhoud en omvang betref die beste wat ons gepubliseer het. Dit het wel nie so 'n wye leserspubliek soos die meer algemene artikels nie, maar is 'n uitstekende poging van die skrywer.

Radio ZS Shield Awarded by the Editor of Radio ZS to a SARL affiliated Club or member who best supported Radio ZS during the year. Ean Retief ZS1PR vir sy gereelde frekwensievoorspellings en artikels oor voortplanting. Ean het baie moeite gedoen om sy materiaal voor te berei en betyds te lewer, selfs in die tyd toe hy vermoed het dat ek dit alles in die snippermandjie gooi.

Gary Immelman RA Heritage Award Floating Trophy Awarded by Council for the best article of an historic nature of an event that occurred more than 5 years previously or an interesting personality that has played an important part in the development of Amateur Radio in years gone by. Mike Bosch ZS2FM Ons het in 2001 in die rubriek BHF/UHF/SHF 'n artikel van Mike geplaas oor "The Great Ross Hull" wat die beste van sy soort was. Technical Awards

Arland Ussher Gold Pen Award Awarded by Council to the candidate achieving the highest marks in the RAE.

Vir 2001 het ons 2 kandidate wat presies dieselfde punte behaal het.

In Mei behaal WPS Swart 98% (100% regulasies en 97% tegnies) In Oktober behaal LS Baker dieselfde punte

Tinus Lange 7066 Tegniese Toekenning The awards will be bestowed annually on the persons who submit a technical project in any of the following categories:

Design and-or construction of projects such as a pre-amp, SWR bridge, patching unit, automatic ID-er, practical antenna ideas, mast, portable gear, power supplies etc.

Any software for use in Amateur Radio

Nico Schoonwinkel ZS4NS Logbook program Louis de Bruin ZS5LP DTMF controller

SARLNEWS thanks all contributors, individuals, clubs and other organizations for contributions to this bulletin and all stations who so reliably relay the bulletins.

This bulletin was compiled by George, ZS6NE, and read by.....from .....as a service to radio amateurs, short wave listeners and electronic enthusiasts.

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At noon on Sundays the SARL President's net is on the air on 7082 kHz.

You have been listening to ZS6SRL, thank you for joining us.

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